

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary time - 15th July 2018

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

First reading : from the Prophet Amos 7: 12 - 15.

Responsorial Psalm : Lord, show us Your mercy and love, and grant us Your salvation.

Second Reading : from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 1: 3 - 14.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we may see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel : according to Mark 6: 7 - 13.

Communion Antiphon : The sparrows finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by Your altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, forever singing Your praise.

Sydney Archdiocese News

Statement on Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) Fees by Dan White

I wish to assure all families considering a Catholic education for their children of the following 3 key priorities. As a system of schools, we are committed to maintaining low-fee affordability for all families seeking an enrolment in a systemic school in the Archdiocese. The Board of Sydney Catholic Schools has determined to keep fee increases to a minimum. We anticipate that over the next 3 years, increases across the system will be on average 3 to 4 %, with lower increases in the areas of greatest need. The Arch Catholic Education Foundation provides significant fee assistance (bursaries) to eligible Catholic families who require fee relief. Some criteria could include those who live in government housing and are on a Centrelink health card. Bursaries are also available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and refugee families. To enquire about enrolment at your local Catholic school, or to find out more about our bursary and fee assistance program, contact the school Principal who will be pleased to talk to you about a Catholic school education for your child.

Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings.

Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve & their companions. Understanding & managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Ph. 9646 6908 / bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au

Visiting Rome? Stay at Domus Australia.

Domus Australia is a 32-room Boutique Pilgrim Guesthouse established by the Australian Catholic Church, welcoming travellers to Rome seeking comfortable accommodation and an ideal base from which to explore historical and cultural sites of the Eternal City. Centrally located with a magnificently restored Chapel featuring daily Mass in English, Domus Australia is the perfect oasis in the heart of Rome for Aussie pilgrims. Contact :reservations@domusaustralia.org or www.domusaustralia.org

St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

*We are a community striving for growth, unity, equality,
love and commitment*

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St Christopher's Catholic School — *Through faith and love we serve*

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God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God. Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

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Parish Collections : 08/7/2018 - First: \$1,246.90 **Second:** \$1,697.15

Parish News

Fete / Fundraising

The Church will be 50 years old on 26th Jan 19. The Church was originally opened by the Army & consultation is being made with them in regards to celebrating the day. Work will commence shortly on the refurbishment of the crying room at the rear of the church. To enable the parish to continue with these refurbishments our next Bunnings BBQ will be held at the Bankstown Airport Store on the 11th Aug.

Support of volunteers for this day would be greatly appreciated.

Your generous support is also needed with the donation of cans of drink/bottles of water or cash donations. Further fund raising activities later in the year include Bingo & BBQ (date in Nov TBA) For information contact Helen Carter on 0418 403 842.

200 CLUB - Week 2 & 3 lucky winners are Wk2 C. Ng, T. Yasbek, A. Tanglao, S. Capra and M. Priya; Wk3 C. George, C. Circelli, S. Hidajat, N. Teriana and Merry. Each has won the cost of their ticket back and their ticket goes back into the barrel for the next draw.

Liturgy Changes

There will be no weekday services this week from Monday 16th - Thursday 19th July. There will be no weekday services next week from Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th July.

Eucharistic Ministers

To comply with Parish ordinance, could all Special Ministers of the Eucharist taking the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick please contact the Parish Office, preferably by email, advising details of who/when/where you are currently exercising this very important ministry. stchris@tpg.com.au or Ph. 9825 1679.

Catholic Apologetics 101

On Sat 21st July, St Josephs Mens Group will be hosting a speaking event by renowned Apologist and Head of New Evangelisation for the Archdiocese of Sydney, Mr. Robert Haddad. Following 5pm Mass in the Parish Hall, Mr. Haddad will be discussing current attitudes to the Christian faith; providing key insights into how Catholics can become better equipped to answer the challenges of increased secularisation in our society. All are welcome to come along and enjoy an evening of great interest with one of our countries most qualified speakers and Catholic author. Spaces are limited. Please register your expected attendance on the form in the foyer or contact David Moore on 0412 405 792.

Right of Christian Initiation of Adults. (RCIA) Program 2018/19

RCIA is a program of Christian formation designed for adults seeking to join the Catholic faith. Known also as the Catechumenate, the RCIA programs take place within a parish environment giving aspirants the opportunity to share in the life of the Church expressed in a local faith community. Run via a series of regular meetings, the schedule offers a way to grow in knowledge of Christ and the Catholic faith in the company of others on a similar journey. The next RCIA program for the Parishes of St Josephs, Moorebank and St Christophers, Holsworthy will commence in Sep 2018. Anyone who is interested in attending, or would simply like more information please contact David Moore on Ph 0412 405 792 or email davemo@bigpond.net.au

Lost Property

Could ALL lost property please be handed to the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Enquiries regarding collection / holding of lost property directly to the office.

Mass Times / Intentions

Saturday	14th	Jun	5. 30 pm	Mass Intentions
Sunday	15th	Jul	8. 00 am	Parish Intentions
Sunday	15th	Jul	9. 30 am	Rosa Lavorato
Monday	16th	Jul	9. 15 am.....	No Mass
Tuesday	17th	Jul	9. 15 am.....	No Mass
Wednesday	18th	Jul	9. 15 am.....	No Mass
Thursday	19th	Jul	9. 15 am.....	No Mass
Friday	20th	Jul	9. 15 am.....	Danilo Cruz (RIP)
Saturday	21st	Jul	11.00 am.....	Latin Mass

Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:30 pm.

Baptisms : Second & Third Sunday of the month after 9:30am Mass.

By appointment only.

Syro - Malabar Liturgies:

Friday Mass : 7.30pm (except on the First Friday of Month)

Sunday Mass : 11.30am (Third Sunday in the School Hall)

The Samoan Community celebrates Mass in the Church on the 3rd Sunday of the Month at 11.30am.

Adoration / Benediction—7:00pm first Friday of the month (Samoan)

Adoration / Holy Hour - Thursday evening 7:30pm (in English) except Thursday before first Friday of Month.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 1st Wed of the month 7:00pm

No Morning Mass on 1st Tuesday of Month

Traditional Latin Mass - every Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Wednesday of the Month 7pm.

Parish Bulletin

If you would like to receive a copy of the Bulletin by email, please fill out the form at the back of the Church or contact the Office on 9825-1679 or stchris@tpg.com.au

Saints of the Week / Feasts

Monday 16th - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Friday 20th - St. Apollinaris

We Pray For The Sick : Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana,
Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere,
Anne Enriquez, Malcolm Antao

Recently deceased: Danielle Porteous, Danilo Cruz, Nunzio Di
Agostino

Anniversary: Rosa Lavorato, Santa Smirolodo, Mathew Parackal,
E. Biviano, Francesco Corsi



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace. Amen.*